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House Resolution 1813

By: Representatives Rogers of the 26th, Mills of the 25th, Collins of the 27th, and Benton of the 31st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life of and expressing regret at the passing of Albert Delmas Cronia III; and for
- 2 other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, on March 23, 2008, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most
- 4 distinguished citizens with the passing of Albert Delmas Cronia III; and
- 5 WHEREAS, this long-time resident of Gainesville, Georgia, was long recognized by the
- 6 citizens of his community for the vital role he played in leadership and for his deep personal
- 7 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia and the United States; and
- 8 WHEREAS, this extraordinary man served as a member of the United States Marine Corps,
- 9 attaining the rank of sergeant; and
- 10 WHEREAS, upon completing his tour of duty he went to work for Southern Railroad as a
- 11 lineman, then joined the Brunner Company in Gainesville, Georgia, as office sales manager,
- and, in 1959, he joined the J. D. Jewel Company where he held positions of divisional,
- 13 regional, and military sales manager in the frozen food service division, and throughout the
- 14 remainder of his professional career he worked with the food service industry in Georgia and
- 15 Florida; and
- 16 WHEREAS, as the father of five children, he was an active member of his community
- 17 coaching the Youth Football League and serving as a Cub Scout pack leader; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church, the Elks Club, and
- 19 several professional food industry organizations, and he was an avid golfer, enjoyed water
- 20 sports, and especially enjoyed fishing and golfing with his grandchildren; and
- 21 WHEREAS, he was a loving husband to his wife of 59 years, Margaret "Meta" Runnels
- 22 Cronia and a devoted father to his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren; and

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1 WHEREAS, this singular gentleman was a person of magnanimous strengths with an

- 2 unimpeachable reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and
- 3 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that we recognize and honor the life of this
- 4 generous, kind, and devoted family man.
- 5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 6 the members of this body express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of
- 7 Albert Delmas Cronia III and commend him for a lifetime of efficient, effective, unselfish,
- 8 and dedicated service to his community and the state.
- 9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Albert Delmas
- 11 Cronia III.